

Protection of Rights of Irrigators under Gokak Canal

33. Sri A. R. PANCHAGAVI (Arabhavi).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that irrigators, under Gokak Canal, used to get water for three seasons ever since the starting of the irrigation from Dhupdal Weir ;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that this Canal was the only Canal coming under productive schemes in the former Bombay State and also in the New Mysore State ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the irrigators are not getting the same quantity of water that was being supplied after the merger of the old Gokak Canal in the Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal ;

(d) whether it is a fact that this year the irrigators are not getting water even for the first crop and the crops are withering ;

(e) the steps Government intends to take to protect the very old rights of these irrigators for assured water supply for irrigation purposes ?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(a) No.

(b) The Gokak Canal when it was started was taken up as a productive scheme.

(c) No. Water is being supplied to the Irrigators as usual.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise in view of the reply to clause (c) above.

Loans taken by Ranibennur Taluk Agricultural Society

37. Sri N. L. BELLAD (Ranibennur).—

Will the Minister for Development be pleased to state :—

(a) the total amount of loan received by Ranibennur Taluk Agricultural Produce Co-operative Marketing Society, from all sources till the end of June 1968 ;

(b) out of this the amount of arrears to be repaid actually (details may please be given) ;

(c) whether there is money in the Society to repay all the loan ; if so, the money that is present in the Society (details may please be given) ?